1. **Fill in the gaps with the right word**

**adage, unsettled, deviate, humdrum,**

1. But with me things are different: I live an ordinary…humdrum…………………… life.
2. Even so, many important issues are likely to remain …unsettled…………………..
3. But we live by the …adage…………………. that the show must go on.
4. Her version of the events …deviated………………….. from the truth.

**2. Fill in the gaps with the right phrase**

follow through, fall victim to , kick to the curb, take the plunge, bite off more than you can chew, work your way up ,reaffirm, leap, treasure trove, hold sb back, scale back,let down your guard,

1. The plan will …scale back…………………… the corporate staff to 50 people, from 250, by 1994.
2. They start a lot of things and never …follow through………………………...
3. Smooth talk can pool wool over your eyes, don’t …let down your guard………………………
4. She …fell victim………………………….to sexual abuse during her childhood
5. It is high time to …kick………………our old believes …to the curb……………………..
6. She regrets having kids because she thinks they …hold………………. her…back…………… from spreading her wings
7. The sea was so cold she had to force herself to …take a plunge………………….
8. Take baby steps , do not …bite off more than you can chew………………………..
9. I …worked my way up………………………….to the top at this company and nobody helped me
10. He …reaffirmed………………………… his support for the party at the 2010 general election.
11. It wasn’t a tiny step forward, it was a huge …leap……………..
12. His library is a …treasure trove……………………….of information